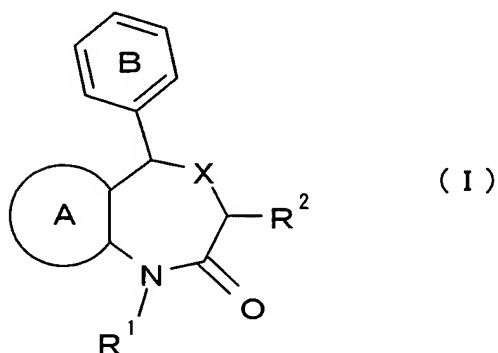


ABSTRACT

An agent for modulating the function of an RFRP receptor, characterized by containing either a compound
5 represented by the formula (I)



[wherein ring A represents an optionally substituted aromatic ring; ring B represents an optionally substituted benzene ring; X represents oxygen, S(O)_n (n is an integer of 0 to 2), or NR³ (R³ represents hydrogen, an optionally substituted hydrocarbon group, or an optionally substituted heterocyclic group); and R¹ and R² each represents hydrogen, an optionally substituted hydrocarbon group, or an optionally substituted heterocyclic group] or a salt of the
10
15 compound.